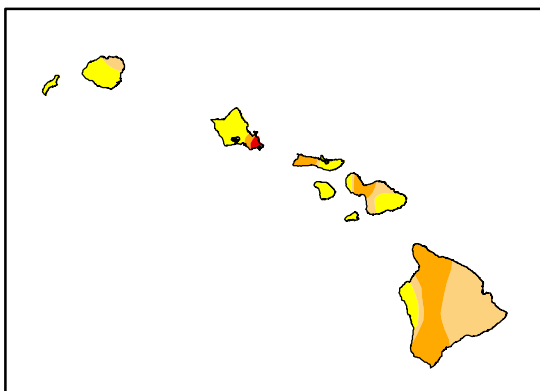
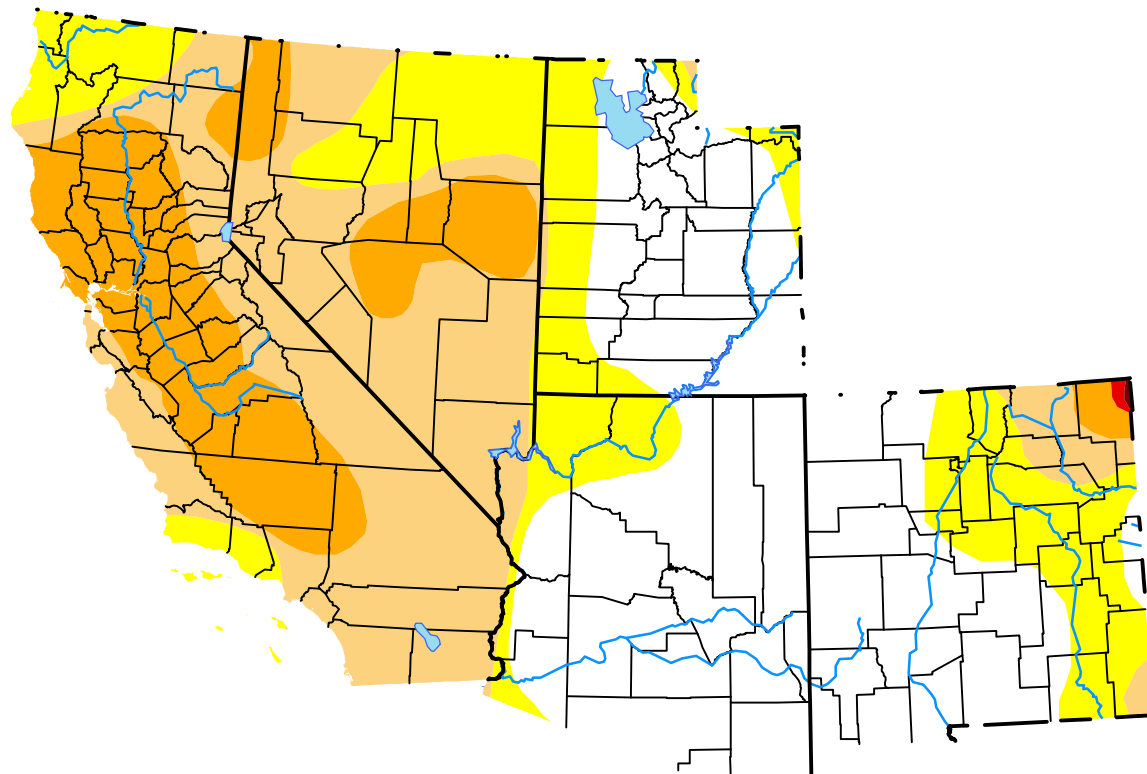


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Southwest Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	38.17	20.40	26.42	14.90	0.08	0.03
Last Week <i>07-31-2008</i>	37.92	20.22	26.85	14.90	0.08	0.03
3 Months Ago <i>05-08-2008</i>	16.16	42.86	34.87	6.11	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i>	20.86	15.84	17.96	39.89	5.44	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2007</i>	21.09	9.20	18.48	35.21	16.01	0.00
One Year Ago <i>08-09-2007</i>	16.04	7.50	17.00	42.87	16.60	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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